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INTEREST INTO A CELL

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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Further to the Preliminary Amendment filed on May 29, 2001, and prior to examination, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend claim 4 as follows:

4. (Twice Amended) The peptide of claim 1, which comprises the amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO:1, wherein each Xaa is selected independently of one another from the group consisting of lysine (Lys or K), histidine (His or H) and arginine (Arg or R) residues.

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